

## WOMEN RIGHT ON THE JOB AS VOTERS—CAST HEAVY

Over 200,000 women crowded the polls in order to participate in their first municipal election in Chicago. Many prominent women were taking an active interest in bringing out the women vote.

Chicago mothers and wives were engaged in selecting new aldermen in thirty-six city wards. In more than a score of downstate cities and towns of Illinois other regiments of women tramped to the polls early to decide the fate of about 3,000 saloons.

Ten thousand suffrage workers, anxious to prove to the world that women will use the ballot, were up at dawn today to begin their house to house canvass to persuade every woman registered to go to the polls. Hundreds of automobiles, piloted by women, were dashing about the city before half the male ward workers had swallowed their breakfast coffee.

In the Twenty-eight precinct of the Twenty-fifth Ward along the North Shore, the prize suffrage ward of the city, a girl suffragist, Miss Elizabeth Harrison, cast the first vote. When the election officials arrived at the barber shop where the polling place was located they found Miss Harrison sitting on a table chatting with a colored porter who was "mopping out."

Members of the 8th precinct of the 19th Ward Women's organization, non-partisan, were on the job early and reported that it was one of the most peaceable elections ever held in the 19th Ward.

"The revised list shows that those in charge have done their duty," said Mrs. L. W. Richards, "and shows that the 19th Ward is finally burying its dead, not voting them."

### NEW PROBLEM

"What is the evil of divorce and remarriage?"

"The trouble of breaking in a new mother-in-law."—Judge.

## THE WIDOW'S WAYS

Widows, from time immemorial, have, for some reason, or many reasons, been looked upon as most desirable beings by men. One sees the wisdom of widows extolled in poem and prose, in song and jest. She is considered with favor, perhaps, because she is wise to the ways of the world, is not unfamiliar with the failings and needs of man, or is perhaps rich in the coin of the realm as well as in knowledge. Widows therefore, are always more or less in the limelight in comic operas and the punsters' department and they seem not to object to publicity. But there is one widow in Montana who out-Pankhursts Pankhurst in making herself clear on the subject of publicity. She writes to a newspaper as follows:

"To: Whom It May Concern: It has been noised about that I, Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, fell heir to \$600 and \$1,800. I want the people who are poking their noses into my business to understand that I want them to keep their bills out of my affairs, or I will make them keep out. I know four or five men in \_\_\_\_\_ that are trying to attend to my affairs and I want this stopped at once or there will be trouble in store for them. I don't intend to fool about it any longer and want them to understand it. There is one man who lives near me whom I would like to get hold of, and he will be sorry if I ever do. It's nobody's business but my own if I have six or eighteen million dollars.

"Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_."

Her exact reason for objecting to having the fact that she has fallen heir to \$2,400 noised about she fails to make known. Whether it is a swarm of suitors or creditors she fears is not known. However, to judge from the punch she puts in her letter, it would seem inadvisable for any man to argue the question with her.